# The Artesia Advocate 

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Territorial Government is the Nursery of Citizenship and New Mexico Reached Years of Discretion Long Ago.

IT IS DISGRACEFUL.
How Carlsbad's Attitude Strikes James D. Whelan, the Able Writer.

Editor Advocate:
On my return from Corpus Christi last Saturday, the new and wholly unanticipated pha ses of the bridme question which had developed during my ab-
sence, filled me with an irresistsence, filled me with an irresist-
able and perhaps unjustifiable desire to again participate in the discussion of that interesting and vital issue. While I have nothing to say that has not already been suggested, directly or indirectly, in your columns, yet the importance of the mat ter and the interest which have always manifested in the have always manifested in the
bridge proposition will probably be accepted in extenuation of my conduct in repeating what has already been said or im plied by yourself.
The particular phase of the situation that impresses me most favorably is the splendid promptness with which the Artesia Commercial Club acted in deciding to take immediate action through the courts to compel the County Board to do its sworn duty. It was indeed to be expected that the Club
would take the action it did. The tactical advantage from Artesia's viewpoint was so evi dent that only imbecility could prompt the organization to adopt any other line of action than the one taken. But the plan was adopted, and the unanimity of sentiment which your report indicates to have prevailed at the meetings of opinion may exist among our people on local matters, they are too broad and intelli gent to allow such divisions to interfere with anything that community as a whole; and that while they look at national and territorial political affairs they are a unit whenever a matter arises which affects the development of Artesia. It is
on occasions of this character that the benefit of having a society like the Commercial Club becomes evident to all. The
Club cannot do great things every day, because the opportunity to do great things is not a crisis like the present arises it can do things that otherwise must go undone. It is to be hoped that this object lesso
will result in an immediate in crease in membership.
Permit me to return to th advantage of Artesia's present position. When the attorneys the purchase of the bonds for the purchase of the bonds, decided after mature deliberation (and after the panic had mate rially reduced the value of th
stood that they had at least us think is at least possible) or tentatively agreed to accept) whether the court orders an gave an opinion to the effect that the bond issue was illegal, the Commissioners did the attorney in whose judgment and experience they had confidence, and their action in fol owing his advice in matters of aw, as far as they did follow it, was above criticism. Moreover, if some of us determine to exer-
cise the layman's privilege of assuming that the legal adviser was perhaps in error, and that a trial in court may after all result in a decision that the till concede that they must afest course in accepting the pinion of the accepting the pinion of the able and honorretained, in so far as they did ccept it. Had they continued to follow this advice consistently as the minority member, Mr. Turknett, tried to induce them to do, another election would have been called, the ridge bonds would have car ion would have been settled Everybody would have ac qiesced in such action, the not have been enjoined and the validity of the bonds so voted
would not have been attacked.
The board cannot claim that it fused to call another electio because it believed the firs lection valid; for I am informe that the members all believed that the district attorney was right in his opinion that the vection was invalid. More
Iold that they all agreed that Mr. Fullen was ight in his opinion that it was their duty to call another elec
tion. Hence, the action of Mr Heard and Mr. Weaver of M Heard and Mr. Weaver in re tion was a deliberate violation of official duty. The petition presented by the two hundred residents of Carlsbad, was of and is only ant legal stand of ba faith on the part of the people of that town. Professing to believe that the first election was egal, in which they are pos expresrect, they should hav expsist in determining the ter by means of a friendly suit The people had spoken in the election and it was their duty
to carry out the peoples will The very form of the petition shows that the real object was not to secure the estabhishment of the validity of the bonds but bridge at all.
The board placed Artesia in a commanding position and humiliated and disgraced Carls has. For by doing what she ing to take immediate legal action Artesia is playing game of "Heads I win; tails you lose." Whether the pro eedings result in a decision hat the election was legal and
other election, Carlsbad will be placed in the attitude of a wil munity which disregards every munity which disregards every promise, and of a town which,
after it has resorted to every after it has resorted to every
subterfuge, and every technicality in order to prevent the rest of the county from getting
justice, at last openly defies the justice, at last openly defies the
What a long struggle it has been, and to what depths of de ceit has not Carlsbad sunk! First, the promise of a bridge o Artesia as a consideration for support for the first Carls bad bridge. Then the demand for a second Carlsbad bridge in violation of the terms of the
first understanding. Then the first understanding. Then the unutterable meanness involved the bonds: thus of a maing defeat her own bridge the very thing she demanded, in order to prevent Artesia from obtainin what Carlsbad had promised assist her in obtaining. Lastly the direct flying in the face of a perfectly clear provision of the statute. Isn't it a shame? Isn't it disgraceful?
Yet, had Artesia failed to institute proceedings, she would have written herself down as
deserving it all. Had she ailed to insist on her rights, and that at once, she would not only have been an object of merited contempt but in hort time a great many people gun to think her rights had not been violated at all.
Let Artesians all stand to ether behind the Commercial Club and say to Carlsbad, "We want separation from you and
we propose to get it, but until we succeed we will invoke the law of the land and compel you o respect our rights.

Jas. D. Whelan.
"The Advocate's article last week in regard to the annexation of the Pecos Valley to sive chord in the hearts of all our people," says G. R. Brainard, the well known hardware
merchant. "By making such an alliance, we get the immediate benefit of the laws of the Lone Star State, when we know it will be many years be fore we get proper statutes on our books, even if the present congress should allow us state-
hood. If there is anything we can do to help the good work
along, the people of Artesia along, the people of Artesia
and the entire Valley should unite in the effort."
Whenever you see a man who is always accusing his neighbor with crookedness, watch him. The man who is
above price and who values above price and who values honor above all else is slow to
ascribe wrong motives to another. An honest man is will-
ing to accord honesty to his feling to accord honesty to his felwatching to see if the other fellow is not going to get low is not
of him.

OLD FIRM DISSOLVED.
Partenrship of Whitaker \& Gage Dissolved by Mutual Consent.
taker and Hugh Gage, of Hope, were in
the city Monday, making final arrangments for dissolution of the copartnership which has obtained between them for a number of years past. Mr. Whitaker retains ownership of the stock of goods and Mr,
Gage will engage in stock business exclusively. Both mem bers of the firm are very popu lar business men and have en-

## At Home to Mr. Bob and Co.

The members of the co pany who so successfully pre
sented the play 'Mr. Bob' sented the play "Mr. Bob"
lately, were surprised to relately, were surprised to rereception of some sort at th home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernes Skaer on Tuesday night. These nvitations were alluring things character or the pent to each individual as each signed "Patty", and no one invited failed to respond except Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson who could not possibly attend. Mr. and Mrs. Skaer had made their home very attractive and
the plans and games for enterthe plans and games for enter-
tainment were appropiate and fetching. One game was ar ranged in deference to Aunt Becky's hobby-a series of
questions every answer of which was a word begin ning with "cat." Prof. Botes was able to answer the great prize a picture of "Katharine and the Boatrace." Another fying of great actors and actresses fter guessing suc cessfully Maude Adams, Bern-
hardt, Irving and others, it was very complimentary and amus ing to find a lot of names badly "pied" turning out to be Grace
Eggers, Nana Ross, Henry Eggers, Nana Ross, Henry
Nimitz etc. Mr Looney wa most successful in this contes and was awarded a stein. The luncheon served included everything good that might have been served by the butler of the play and was not-sand wiches, salad, olives, coffee and cakes-all dainty and toothsome. As the guest who
reported it to us says, "It was just altogether the nicest and cunningest party of the whole winter." But of course it was
expected that "Patty" would play jed Patty would play jokes and still see that
everybody had a good time Mr. and Mrs. Schwartz and Mrs. Botts were present besides every member of the troupe
Misses Ross, Eggers and Mis Childress and Messers. Botts Looney and Nimitz.
$\overline{\underline{ }}$
George A. Webb yesterday bought through the Land Exchange the two cottages on West Main street belonging Miss Jackie Hunt.


Rev. Scrivner of Beloit Kansas, is conducting a series of meeting at Christian church. Rev. Scrivner is a preacher of xperience and ability Meeting each night at 7 By a strange coincidence, seven out of the nine families who constituted the populaion of Artesia six years ago, met at Hope Tuesday. They were W. L. Whitaker, D. W. Green Caraway, Mrs. Carsor, Green Caraway, Mrs. Carson,
J. B. Cecill and J. W. Turknett. Mrs. Roberts and Mr. Bruce were the missing ones. Whitker was running a pioneer way at the time way right-ok way at that time and the balnce of the citizenship were interested in nearby ranches. yet what a change has been wrought! Today we have a progressive city of two thousand people and hundreds and hundreds of acres in farms. The transformation has been wonderful, yet at the present rate of progression the coming half dozen years will record a till greater growth.
Judge A. V. Logan has been named as Artesia,s committeeman on the list of workers of the National Irrigation Congress, which convenes at Albu querque next fall. A better selection could not have been made. If there is one thing more than another that Judge Logan thoroughly enjoys, it is boosting the Pecos Valley. Whenever Artesia has needed a friend, Judge Logan has always been found ready to do his best-and his fidelity to duty has never been questioned. In this instance, he may be depended upon to do everything possible for the good of this great valley, and especially Artesia county
The Advocate editor's family desires to acknowledge their indebtedness to a party of ser enadors who called at our cabin Tuesday night and made the night time glad with the strains of beautiful music. We do not know their names, but recognized the artistic touch of Tom Logan on the violin for there is no one in the valley (since the death of Andrew Axelson last year) who can conjure the warmth of melody from that that instrument like our neigh
bor across the way.


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As everyone expected, the
does not argue that they are
move made last week by the
guilty of any official crooked-
ness. In the present case, we Board of Trustees to annul the franchise of the Artesia Tele phone Company has stirred up that the officers of the com pany would surrender without afficially declared on been matter of defense, the friends of the telephone proprietors say the rate is not exhorbitant the defense, say other things are higher than they ought to be. As a further argument
that the rates are not too high, that the rates are not too high
they insinuate that the city paid too much for the water works system. And not con alone, the telephone people propose to discover some graft in the administration of city affairs or die in the attempt To this end, its delegation ha called for a look at the city The city secretary being sick in bed, the books have siot been obtainable, but that has not made any particular differ ence, as actual evidence is no necessary to the circulation o slander? The city's books and
records are public property and records are public property and time, and the telephone any pany's representatives will hav ample time to examine them at their leisure
The bold assertion is made by the telephone company's representatives that the water works bonds were sold at a dis count, which is illegal, and
therefore the bonds must be re pudiated. Of course, this as sertion is wholly untrue, a everyone knows the bonds sold for a premium of five hundred dollars the contract of sal being published in the Advo cate a
sold.
That the telephone people should allow their angry pas sions to rise is to be expected when they are fighting for
franchise worth thousands of franchise worth thousands of nothing. But that they should be so silly as to accuse the
town trustees of crookednes (as an argument that telephone rates are not too high) is very much out of place. The Advocate is a friend to every man
who owns stock in the tele who owns stock in the tele phone company, and does no
desire to see one of them lose desire to see one of them lose
cent on their investment. It i also a friend to the gentlemen who are conducting the city' affairs. Every citizen of the town knows them to be gentle men of business ability and proach as regards honesty and proach as regards honesty and
intregrity, They are elected by the people and are the peo ple's servants and responsible alone to the people for their acts. If in the discharge of their duties, they happen to in cur the enmity and spite

have no reason to believe the
trustees are not acting in the trustees are not acting in the
very best of faith toward their very best of faith toward their
constituents. For many months comstituents. For many months the council about the high known fact that at one time
last year a list was circulated about town with a view of get-
ting up a mutual telephone company and thereby lowering charges. It is also well known
that the majority of the telescribed for phones under the contemplated system. Wiser council prevailed, as it was
argued that two telephone systems in a town the size of Ar tesia would be runious. The councilmen asked to give relief to the users.
Last week's action of the trustees was the response to the numerous requests for re lief. The Advocate knows the entious in the matter. We have interviewed the gentle men and without exception
men men and without exceptio
thev say they have no desire to injure the present system or the proprietors of same-that they would much prefer to have the company continue in
business, if it will be reasonbusiness, if it will be reason-
able and announce and put into able and announce and putinto
permanent effect a rate of charges not wholly out of all reason. They argue that no possible excuse can be given for the present ridiculous charges and for that reason alone the trustees feel called
upon to step in and protect the people whose servants they are They are acting upon what they consider their duty, and not upon the suggestion of any clique or combination of poli
ticians.
Gallegos, the well known baseball pitcher who went from the Pecos Valley to the Fort Worth Panthers, was shot and killed in that city last Saturday He was one of the two players retained by the Panthers for
the season of 1908 . Gallegos the season of 1908 . Gallegos
was a very fast player and was a very fast player and
much was expected of him this season. Artesia rootery regret
to hear of his untimely end.

Standing in the Contest.

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Skaer. Voting box at Redford Skaer. Voting box at
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50064 held an election of officers last
51 bents were retaine in
respective positions, vi\&: S. W
30107 Gilbert, President; H. W.
25666 Hamilton and K., C. Smith,
vice presidents; R. M. Ross,
cashier; A. C. Keinath, assiscashier; A. cashier. Besides the
tant gentlemen named, the direc-
tors are D. W. Runyan, A. T.
Gunter E. A. Cahoon and Gunter, E. A.
Olin Ragsdale.
Pure Home rendered Lard.
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nesday night from a trip to

## Bad Stomach Trouble Cured.

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years with a bad stomach tronble, a
friend gave me a dose of Chamber-
lain's Siomach and Liver Tablets.
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bought a bottle of them and have
used twelve bottles in all. Today 1
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## In Diameter.

L. C.

## Robertson,



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The Black and Gold Win Out! The boys' basket-ball team play that school Saturday las won the game just as they ex
pected to do, the score being 15 to 13, The Roswell report stated that the decision was days hence would decide the game. As our Prof. Botts was
referee and held a copy of the latest rules in his hand our
boys consider the point settled won. Both teams did good
work and played fair. The girls team of Roswell gave
our boys a drive through fam-
ous Lover's Lane. At night ous Lover's Lane. At night
a box supper was given in the school auditorium to help pay
expenses and to help out. expenses and to help out.
Most of the Roswell High
School went to the train to see our team off and the Artesia
High School welt High School welcomed them
on their midnight arrival here.
The line up was like this:
Artesia Position Roswell Artesia Position Roswell
Will Lynn center Elkins
R Brainard ren $\begin{array}{lr}\text { R. Brainard r. g. } & \begin{array}{r}\text { Walker } \\ \text { Worley Lynn } \\ \text { Hoffman }\end{array} \\ \text { F. G. } & \end{array}$ $\begin{array}{llr}\text { F. Brainard } & \text { 1. f. } & \text { Moore } \\ \text { White } & \text { r.f. } & \text { Nelson } \\ \text { Martin } & \text { sub. } & \text { Doss }\end{array}$ Rartin
Referee
Umpires
Prof. Botts.
Theo. Martin.

## The Tenderfoot's Lecture.

 The Advocate regrets thatthe lateness of the hour prevents a review of the lecture of
Will Robinson at the Presbyterian church last evening. How-
ever, we state it ever, we state it as official that
he made good. There are few he made good. There are few
newspaper men who are suc-
cessful as cessful as public entertainers
on the rostrum, and Robinson on the rostrum, and Robinson
is the one happy exception in
the Pecos Valley.



 their faith by their works - and
faith without works is a dead
letter in the Pecos Valley. letter in the Pecos Valley.
The gentlemen have each be-
gan the drilling of artesian
wells on their farms-Mr. Doogan the drilling of artesian
wells on their farms - Mr. Doo
ley on the Cottonwood and Mr. Muncy southeast of town. Mr. Chas. F. Erb has rented
his farm and moved to town
and will be found at the Ar and will be found at the Ar-
tesia Market from now on. Mr Erb has purchased a half
interest in the Market and will interest in the Market and will
be in peral charge after the 28th. He will be pleased to have his many friends call and
let him supply their needs in The Butler \& Hardwicke The Butler \& Hardwicke
well rig has about finished the well for Wm . E. Clark and will begin work in a few days upon
one for Mr. Maddox, six miles one for Mr. Maddox, six miles
north of town and one mile west of the Clark well. This
firm also has made a contract firm also has made a contract
to put down a well on the E. to put down a well on the E.
N. Bates farm, southeast of
town.
Keeper apple is the coming apple for the valley -the only apple that stayed on the trees notil picking time last fall?
You will be glad if you plant them and mad if you do not. them now.
A. T. Remer, Aulne, Kansas. Me


## St Cecelia Club.

It had been the intention to give the entire evening of Friday at the Music Club meeting to the study of Chopin. A good number of the pieces of music ordered did not arrive, however, and others by other composers were added. The selections from Chopin given were solos by Miss Lutie McIlhany; by Miss Sara Owen (Nocturue); by Mrs. McCrary (Potonaise) Militaire) and a duet by Misses Owen and Mc Ilhaney. Miss Boose played Uhaney. Miss Boose played
the "Scarf Dance." The vocal the "Scarf Dance. The vocal
members were solos by Mrs. members were solos by Mrs.
Enfield and Mrs. Ragsdale and Enfield and Mrs. Ragsdale and
a duet by Mrs. Frisk and Miss a duet by Mrs. Frisk and Miss
Rice. A pleasing number was Rice. A pleasing number was
a Riley recitation by Miss Ruth a Riley recitation by Miss Ruth
Lesley. Prof. Garrison resigned his office as Vice President to accept that of Corresponding Secretary, left vacant by Miss Mcllhaney's absence. Active measures are being taken toward the organization of a chorus and glee club-all singers and all who play stringed instruments are to be "rounded up" soon. Prof. Gar rison was given charge of the matter. Mr. and Mrs. Talbot, Mrs. Corbin and Mrs. Sooter were accepte
of the clyb.
W. J. Williamson, manager of the City Transfer, this week added to his equipment an automatic self-lifting truck to be used in moving pianos. With this truck, a piano can be loaded into and out of a wagon without any danger or damage. It is absolutely safe and parties wanting pianos moved should be sure to call upon Mr Williamson and avoid any chance of a disas ter.

Mr. A. T. Remer came down from Aulne, Kansas, this week to place some orders for the celebrated Keeper apple, that
has taken the fancy of has taken tie fancy of Mon virtues are claimed for this virtues and everybody is anxious ple and everybody is anxious to get a start of the trees. Mr. Remer brings a few samples of the apples with him and any one interested can see for himself what a good apple is.
Rev. Scrivner, the evangelist arrived Wednesday from Beloit, Kansas, and has begun his series of services at the Christian church. He is an able and entertaining gentleman and should have the attention of every Christian worker in the town, in order that the meeting be a complete success.
Mr. Gordon E. Allen and Miss Stela Tackett were mar

## A Reply.

In the last edition of the Ad vocate appeard an article entitled "They Act Short", in which the management of the girls' basket-ball team of the Roswell High School was se-
verely criticised for an assumed breach of contract.
I cannot understand where the writer of this article ob tained information that would
warrant such a vigorous lamwarrant such a vigorous lampooment, for as manager of the agement, for as manager of the
athletics of the Roswell High athletics of the Ros well High
School, I will say that during School, I will say that during
the past school year I have arthe past school year I have ar-
ranged with Prof. Botts, three ranged with Prof. Botts, three
base-ball games and two bas ket ball games, and in every way our dealings have been pleasant, and all arran
mutually satistactory.
With reference to the game in question I have only the fol lowing statements to make. At the time of Prof. Brasher's leccure in Artesia, we arranged to
have the boys' and girls' bashave the boys' and girls' bas
ket-ball teams, of the Artesia High School, come to Roswell,
Kiter January 18th, to meet teams rom the Roswell High School
On Friday morning On Friday morning I tele
phoned Prof. Botts asking him if we could pospone the games a week, on account of
counter attractions in Roswell counter attractions in Roswel
which would work against the which would work against the success of our games from
financial standpoint. He stated that he could not come at that that he could not come at that
date, on account of having to be at home to manage the lec ure program at that time, but one to come with the bovs. After some conversation I agreed to call him over the phone again at twelve-thirtv, when he would let me know more defi nitely about it. At twelve thirty we arranged that the
boys' team should come the boys' team should come the
following Saturday, which would allow of Prot. Bott coming with them, and that the games between the girls
teams should be posponed week, which arrangment, Prof Botts said was satisfactory with regard to the girls' team We try to stand for a "square deal" in all our dealings in athletics, and are always will ing to adjust any matter wherem we are at fault. If factory to Prof. Botts satis ure we can come to an ar rangment without any un necessary publicity.

## Signed) W. S. Hicks,

Roswell High School
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ried at the residence of Mrs. E. A. Johnson Saturday evening They are well known and pop ular young people and thei many friends extend congratu lations. that W. L. Bobo will move up from Carlsbad and make the race for county clerk. The Ar tesit vote came near landing Bobo in office two years ago and he recalls the fact.

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Pecos Valley Abstract
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Man and wife wanted to
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We do the best work for the least money. Artesisa Machine Shop.
J. B. Cecill and Dr. M. M Inman made a trip to Hope Tuesday
G. V. Brainard was a Ros
well visitor for several days this week.
Messrs. J. W. Price and W E. Ragsdale visited Lakewood
E. B. Kemp, the popular lumber man, was vlsiting Ros well Monday
John W. Price passed a quie Pecos the 20th
Apple trees in twenty of the Ieading commercial varieties at
Artesia Nursery.
Miss Margaret Tolleson has returned from a visit to her
We need the money and appreciate your patronage
tesia Machine Shop.
Beatty, the photographer, has had his gallery repainted and
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J. B. Atkeson ell Monday.
Man and wife wanted ranch, wife to do cooking. Ap
s. Box Ho, Artesia, N. M S. W. Gilbert is having nice cottage erected on his for-
ty-acre tract one mile south of

John R. Olden, arrived thi week from Oregon to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A Olden.
J. W. Skaer, formerly of this place, is now living back at is old home near Augusta
Judge
McCrary lef ward, Oklahama, to look after legal matters.
C. A. Sipple, the successful land man, left Thursday for a trip up the road to meet a party homeseekers.
Sperry \& Lukins have quit work on the R. M. Love well, in Rose Lawn Addition. The well is incomplete.
The Chisholm Orchard and Nursery Company, Dayton, has five thousand Cottonwood trees
for sale, any size. Dr. J. Dale Graham, of this city, has been appointed deputy county physician. An honor worthily bestowed.
For Sale-One triple-gear Iarseilles feed grinder and a corn sheller, chea
Lowry or this office. Remember Sperry \& Lukin are complying exactly to the law and ordinance in regard to
tapping the city water pipes.
Luke Gage is now business manager of the two Christopher livery stables in Artesia,
having taken charge yesterday Mrs. Mattie Attebery has purchased the eleven-acre tract of land formerly owned by John
Backus, one mile south of the
 Carisbad, are in the city this
week. Mr. Gamel is buyer for the Joyce-Pruit store and is on
List your property with the old reliable FARMERS' LAND LEAGUE. We are bringing hundreds of proṣpective buyers to the valley.
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thing to sell or exchange.
J. W. Foster and G. W.
Christian made a trip to the oil fields Tuesday, and came thing in sight.
Hearings on the bill proivd ingy for the admission of New Mexico as a separate state wise
be begun before the House Committee on Territories Jan

Little Miss Isabel Haggar entertained her friends of the Junior Society Christian En deavor last Friday evening with can
James D. Whelan, the popu lar and able gentleman who
formerly conducted the affairs of the Advocate, returned Sun day from his Christmas
Corpus Christi, Texas.
S位 the home of Miss Cleta Parker Thursday evening.
Messrs. Tom Davis, Lum Richards, W. P. Riley, W. L Whitaker, E. Ward, Lewis Ayers and Dor, Wade were among the Hope people in town this week.
C. A. Sipple, who moved here recently from Kenesaw, Nebraska, has purchased the beautiful home of John R. Hodges on Grand avenue, con ideration $\$+500$
His many friends in Artesia regret to learn that E. C. Hig. gins is confined to his bed with sickness back at the old home in Georgia. We
Ed Johnson, the photographer, is ba L in the city and say Artesia looks just a little better to him than any other place on earth and that he thinks he vill stay with us this time.

> Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dyer en ertained the ladies of the Home Hission Society of the Methodist church, with a few worker residence Thursday evening.
Capt. John W. Poe, of Ros well, was looking after his banking interests in Artesia with J. B. Enfield visited Day ton and the oil field Wednesday
Judge Logan says things in Eddy county are in the condi fion now that they were in the days of King Solomon, when
that illustrious ruler went wrong. "When the wicked rule the people mourn.
Fred Knowles is having neat and roomy residence erect of the city. He is tract south an artesian well put down and places in the Artesia country.
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